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| FORM PTO-1390 (Modified) U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE<br>(REV. 07-2004)  |  | ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER<br><b>XA-10153</b>                         |  |
| <b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES<br/>DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)<br/>CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>   |  | U.S. APPLICATION NO. (If known, see 37 CFR 1.5)<br><b>107504815</b> |  |
| INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.<br><b>PCT/JP03/07323</b>  | INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE<br><b>10 June 2003</b> | PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED<br><b>11 June 2002</b>                        |  |
| TITLE OF INVENTION<br><b>TELESCOPIC SHAFT FOR STEERING VEHICLE AND TELESCOPIC SHAFT FOR STEERING VEHICLE WITH CARDAN SHAFT JOINT</b>  |  |   |  |
| APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US<br><b>YAMADA, Yasuhisa; SHODA, Akihiro; OZAWA, Atsushi; YUKAWA, Kinji; and YAMADA, Takatsugu</b>  |  |   |  |
| <p>Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>FIRST</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>2. <input type="checkbox"/> This is a <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.</li> <li>3. <input type="checkbox"/> This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.</li> <li>4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The US has been elected (Article 31).</li> <li>5. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> has been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).</li> </ol> </li> <li>6. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> is attached hereto.</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> </ol> </li> <li>7. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3))             <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. <input type="checkbox"/> are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).</li> <li>b. <input type="checkbox"/> have been communicated by the International Bureau.</li> <li>c. <input type="checkbox"/> have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.</li> <li>d. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> have not been made and will not be made.</li> </ol> </li> <li>8. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).</li> <li>9. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).</li> <li>10. <input type="checkbox"/> An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(5)).</li> <li>11. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).</li> <li>12. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).</li> </ol> <p><b>Items 13 to 23 below concern document(s) or information included:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.</li> <li>14. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.</li> <li>15. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A <b>FIRST</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>16. <input type="checkbox"/> A <b>SECOND</b> or <b>SUBSEQUENT</b> preliminary amendment.</li> <li>17. <input type="checkbox"/> A substitute specification.</li> <li>18. <input type="checkbox"/> A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.</li> <li>19. <input type="checkbox"/> A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.</li> <li>20. <input type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>21. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A second copy of the English language translation of the International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).</li> <li>22. <input type="checkbox"/> Express Mail Label No.</li> <li>23. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other items or information:<br/> <b>copy of Form PCT/IB/308<br/>39 sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-39B)</b> </li> </ol> |  |   |  |
| <b>ASSIGNEE INFORMATION</b><br>Assignee: NSK Ltd.   |  |   |  |

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| 24. The following fees are submitted:   |              | <b>CALCULATIONS PTO USE ONLY</b>       |                             |
| <b>BASIC NATIONAL FEE (37 CFR 1.492(a)(1)-(5)) :</b>  |              |  |                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Neither international preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) nor international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO and International Search Report not prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... <b>\$1080.00</b><br><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but International Search Report prepared by the EPO or JPO ..... <b>\$920.00</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) not paid to USPTO but international search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) paid to USPTO ..... <b>\$770.00</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO but all claims did not satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... <b>\$730.00</b><br><input type="checkbox"/> International preliminary examination fee (37 CFR 1.482) paid to USPTO and all claims satisfied provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4) ..... <b>\$100.00</b> |              |  |                             |
| <b>ENTER APPROPRIATE BASIC FEE AMOUNT =</b>   |              | <b>\$920.00</b>                        |                             |
| Surcharge of <b>\$130.00</b> for furnishing the oath or declaration later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(e)).  |              | <input type="checkbox"/> 20            | <input type="checkbox"/> 30 |
|   |              | <b>\$0.00</b>                          |                             |
| CLAIMS  | NUMBER FILED | NUMBER EXTRA                           | RATE                        |
| Total claims  | 20 - 20 =    | 0                                      | x \$18.00 <b>\$0.00</b>     |
| Independent claims  | 4 - 3 =      | 1                                      | x \$86.00 <b>\$86.00</b>    |
| Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable).  |              | <input type="checkbox"/> <b>\$0.00</b> |                             |
| <b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>  |              | <b>\$1,006.00</b>                      |                             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. The fees indicated above are reduced by 1/2.  |              | <b>\$0.00</b>                          |                             |
| <b>SUBTOTAL =</b>   |              | <b>\$1,006.00</b>                      |                             |
| Processing fee of <b>\$130.00</b> for furnishing the English translation later than months from the earliest claimed priority date (37 CFR 1.492(f)).   |              | <input type="checkbox"/> 20            | <input type="checkbox"/> 30 |
|   |              | <b>\$0.00</b>                          |                             |
| <b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>   |              | <b>\$1,006.00</b>                      |                             |
| Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21(h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31) (check if applicable).   |              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>    | <b>\$40.00</b>              |
| <b>TOTAL FEES ENCLOSED =</b>  |              | <b>\$1,046.00</b>                      |                             |
|   |              | Amount to be:<br>refunded              | \$                          |
|   |              | charged                                | \$                          |
| a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A check in the amount of <b>\$1,046.00</b> to cover the above fees is enclosed.  |              |  |                             |
| b. <input type="checkbox"/> Please charge my Deposit Account No. _____ in the amount of _____ to cover the above fees.  |              |  |                             |
| c. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> The Director is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. <b>50-1165</b>   |              |  |                             |
| d. <input type="checkbox"/> Fees are to be charged to a credit card. <b>WARNING: Information on this form may become public. Credit card information should not be included on this form.</b> Provide credit card information and authorization on PTO-2038.  |              |  |                             |
| NOTE: Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.494 or 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137(a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.   |              |  |                             |
| SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:   |              |  |                             |
| <b>Mitchell W. Shapiro</b><br>Customer No. 181  |              |  |                             |
| <br><b>SIGNATURE</b>  |              |  |                             |
| <b>Mitchell W. Shapiro</b><br><b>NAME</b>   |              |  |                             |
| <b>31,568</b><br><b>REGISTRATION NUMBER</b>   |              |  |                             |
| <b>August 17, 2004</b><br><b>DATE</b>   |              |  |                             |